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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1184

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 6, 2011

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: DOC Vocational Development Projects.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Dermody

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the Department of Correction, to assist in the vocational development of inmates, to use inmate labor on any project for the rehabilitation, extension, maintenance, construction, or repair of any state structure estimated to cost less than \$100,000.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill would permit offenders to work on projects in other state agencies in addition to the Department of Correction (DOC). Added costs would depend on the distance of the work site from where the offenders are housed and whether additional correctional officers are needed to supervise these offenders who are working on these sites. Depending on the type of projects, state government may be able to use offender labor as a substitute for private contractors. Any project must be for less than \$100,000.

DOC provided the following examples of projects that offenders have completed in previous years:

During the FY 2010 budget year, offenders at the Plainfield Reentry Facility installed a 150 gallon-per-minute water heater. The cost of materials only was \$59,370. The contracted price was \$92,500. Using offender labor to install the facility, the state spent \$59,370 to complete the project.

During the same budget year, offenders replaced the entire roof on a building at Indianapolis Women's Prison (IWP). The cost of materials and contracted labor was \$31,600. The facility completed the project with offender labor for \$8,125.

IWP needed concrete poured for sidewalks, stairs, and entries into buildings. The contracted price was \$23,000 for just finished concrete. The facility with offender labor cost \$2,350 for concrete, dirt excavation, and landscaping.

Offenders at the Plainfield Reentry Facility reconditioned and repaired stain glass windows in the facility's chapel. The contracted price was \$109,000. The facility furnished materials and used offender labor to refurbish all stain glass windows. The final cost for the completed project was \$17,400.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Correction.

Local Agencies Affected:

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